OLD ENGLAND:

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GOvernments are ſubject to *Diſeaſes*, conſequently to *Diſſolutions*.——The Diſeaſe of a free Government is *Diſunion*, therefore *Infirmity* in Counſel. Oppos'd to this is the Advantage of arbitrary Governments, in which, the Operation depending upon the Will of one Man, *Execution* is as quick as *Reſolution*.

But the Diſunion or Infirmity, which may, and often does exiſt in a free Government, is the Fault not of the *Conſtitution* but of the *Adminiſtration*; on the other hand, the *quickneſs of Execution*, is a Virtue not ſo much of an *Adminiſtration* as of a *Conſtitution*, if arbitrary Government can be ſaid to be *conſtituted*.——When it is the ſame to *will* as to *do*, there is but little more Merit in the *one* than in the *other*.——*Succeſs* indeed depends upon *Conduct*, and *right Diſpoſitions*; thoſe are entitled to *Merit*; but it is in the Power of every *King* LOG who is arbitrary, to *execute* as quick as *he reſolves*.

I remember, extremely well, that, during the late Adminiſtration, the great Outcry againſt it, when the Oppoſition was fierceſt, that the M——r *had drawn all the Operations of Government ſo compleatly within the Vortex of his own Power, thro' the Means of Corruption, that none were admitted who durſt contradict him*.——This was indeed a deplorable Condition for the People, but then their Rights were not irrecoverable;——nay, they actually were recovered by their own Virtue; the Miniſter's Influence not being ſufficient *thoroughly* to infect *that*. But, what is more, they were recovered in a natural, eaſy, ſafe, conſtitutional Manner; thanks to his Majeſty, whoſe Attachments to his M——r were not *Perſonal*; and therefore he gave him up as ſoon as he had Evidence of his A——n being hateful to the People——I dare not ſay, that a ſmall Meaſure of Thanks may likewiſe be owing to ſome Remains of *Engliſh Feeling*, ſome Degree of Remorſe in the M——r's own Breaſt, which, perhaps, prevented him from making the only Sacrifice which might have prolonged his Power.

A diſintereſted Writer will write not only to what HAS, but to what MAY happen; this, perhaps, is the ſtrongeſt Proof of his Virtue; ſince it cannot be ſaid that he writes to ſerve *any Party*, as he neither ſupports or excuſes any of their Meaſures; his Endeavours are entirely *preventive*, therefore they can never be *prejudicial* or *diſagreeable* to the moſt *Delicate*. For this Reaſon it is the Duty of a CONSTITUTIONAL Writer to put the Public in Mind of the many ſignal Deliverances they have had from M——l Yokes; and their *laſt* muſt inſpire them with the ſtrongeſt Gratitude for the Perſon of his M——y.

To enforce this Sentiment, let us ſuppoſe we had lived under another Prince in another Country, and had had a M——r of greater Vigour than we lived under when the late M——r *gave out*——That this Prince had poſſeſs'd *one ruling Paſſion*, which ſo wholly engroſs'd his Affections, that the gratifying it was the Hinge upon which all Favour with him turned; and that he was as much guided by it, as a Puppet by the Spring, or a Ship by the Rudder: But that the gratifying this Paſſion was *Conſtitutionally* ſo dangerous, as that every M——r who was not reſolved to ſwim, however his Country might ſink, muſt both fear and deteſt it. Let us ſuppoſe that a M——r is found with ſuch *an intrepid Aſſurance*, with ſo *happy a Temerity* in his Compoſition, as to conſider no *Meaſure* as too *dangerous*, provided he can work his *Purpoſe*; no *Means* as too *wicked*, provided he can gain his *End*. That in Conſequence of this Character he had *ſold himſelf* to his Prince's *ruling Paſſion*, that he had *renounced* all *Engagements* to his *Country*, *cancell'd* all his *Vows* to his *Party*; and thereby thoroughly poſſeſs'd his Maſter's Ear, Affections, and Power.

Every true *Engliſh* Heart muſt bleed, were this the Situation of any brave, generous People; then what Sentiments ought it to awaken ſhould we ſuppoſe, in the moſt remote Degree of Poſſibility, that it may ever be our own? I know we are apt to exult, that this never can be the Caſe of *Old England*, becauſe of the excellent Proviſions made by our Laws againſt the Abuſe of all M——l Power. But our Laws have provided very ſtrictly againſt Highwaymen, yet nobody will pretend to ſay there is not a great deal of Robbing. Well, then, for once let us ſuppoſe that the above Deſcription may, ſome time or other, anſwer the Caſe of *Old England*; let me then ask my Reader fairly whether, ſuppoſing that the K--g ſhould be obſtinately determined to ſtand by his M——r, and that againſt the Senſe not only of the People, and the Oppoſition of all his own Servants; I ſay, ſuppoſing this to be the Caſe, what Remedy has our Conſtitution, as it is modelled at preſent, provided to oblige the K——g to give up ſo dangerous, ſo deteſtable a M——r to the Juſtice of his Country?

I will even throw into this a Circumſtance, which muſt make the whole of this Suppoſition very favourable for the People; *viz*. That this M——r is oppoſed in the C——t by ſuch of his Brother C——rs as have the greateſt P——y Intereſt.——Why then (I think I hear my Reader ſaying) he muſt fall; for if the Parliament is againſt a M——r, his Maſter can never protect him. This is well ſaid, and like an *Engliſhman*; but is it Fact? Is there really, by our Conſtitituion, any ſuch Power veſted in P——ts as that they can, BY LAW, bring ſo pernicious a M——r to condign Puniſhment, if his P——ce is determined to protect him? I am afraid, however we may flatter ourſelves from former Precedents, (when the Crown really was weak) that there is ſuch a Power in P——ts, that there is not any ſuch now. I ſhall not ſay all I have to ſay on ſo diſagreeable a Subject; 'tis enough if I obſerve that the Crown now poſſeſſes, by P——y Grants within a Trifle, of the whole * Sum required to ſupport the ordinary Expences of the Government. If ſo, P——ts cannot now, as formerly, reduce a K——g *to real Want*; to ſtand in Need even of the Decencies of Life, which was the great Motive why they were oblig'd to give their M——s up.

We are farther to conſider that though, by our Conſtitution, the periodical Meetings of P---ts may be provided for, yet there is no Proviſion obliging the Crown to *ſuffer them to ſit*. We all know that, BY LAW, or CUSTOM, no P——t can ſit an Hour after they are prorogued by the Crown. We all know that though they did ſit, the Crown, BY LAW, is oblig'd to take no more of the P——t's Councel than it thinks proper. We all know that the Power of the Purſe is all the *real* Power which the P——t has reſerved in its own Hands, and all their other conjunct Acts, before they can be carried into Execution; that is, before they can become Acts of definitive Judgment, muſt, BY LAW, have the Concurrence and Co-operation of the Crown. From whence it follows, that if the Parliament has already quitted Hold of the Purſe, or, which is the ſame Thing, if it has irrevocably given away as much Money as will keep Government upon its own Legs, without the Help of P——y Stilts, then the P-----t has departed from its *real* Power; ſince all its *coercive* Acts, with Regard to the Crown, are but the Reſult of this Alternative, *If you won't do ſo or ſo, we won't give you Money*. Should the P——t of *G——t B——n* pretend to any other *coercive* Power over the Crown of *G——t B——n*, the P——t would then do a Thing againſt the *preſent Laws* and Conſtitutions of the Kingdom.

Their Right of Impeachment is no Bar upon the free and independant Exerciſe of the Prerogative; it can affect Miniſters only; and though, as the Law now ſtands, no Pardon can be pleaded againſt a P——y Impeachment, yet the Crown, BY LAW, can Pardon after the L--ds have given their Judgment: So that this Proviſion in the *Bill of Rights*, in Reality, is no manner of Check upon the C——n, farther than as it puts it out of the Power of the K--g for the Time being, to ſtifle any Evidence that may be brought againſt a *corrupted* or an *inſolent* Miniſter; but the Crown, BY LAW, can both pardon and protect that Miniſter afterwards.

A great deal more might be ſaid upon this Head; what I have already obſerved will, I hope, be ſufficient to prove, that, by our preſent Conſtitution, the perſonal Virtue of his M----y is a better Security to our Rights, againſt the Arts and Inſolence of M——rs, than any Proviſion made, BY LAW, to circumſcribe the Prerogative in this Reſpect. We have already experienc'd his M——ty's Virtue upon this very Head, when, unſolicited and unaddreſs'd, he removed a M——r upon the Preſumption that he was diſagreeable to his People: And from his M——y's known Wiſdom we never can, under him, have any thing to apprehend from the Abuſe of M——l Power.

But as preventive Applications may be proper againſt the Acceſs of a Diſeaſe, the ſame Wiſdom which induced the *Legiſlature* to paſs the *Bill of Limitations*, in order to prevent the poſſible Abuſe of Power in Points not Conſtitutionally ſettled, ought neceſſarily to induce their Succeſſors to amend whatever farther Defects may be diſcovered. *Virtue* is not like *Dominion*, hereditary; and the moſt virtuous of our Princes have ever been the moſt forward in giving their Hands to thoſe Acts which may circumſcribe the Power of their Succeſſors, ſhould any of them prove weak enough to *ſtand* or *fall* by a wicked M——r.

I ſhall conclude with putting the Reader in Mind

* Vide a Paper, entitled a View of the Taxes, Funds, and public Revenues of *England*, printed in the Year 1712, and reputed to be written by an intimate Friend of Sir ROBERT WALPOLE. In this Paper, the neceſſary annual Expences, in time of Peace, are ſaid to be no more than the following,

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of the Principles I firſt ſet out with in this *Paper*; that Diſunion, and therefore Infirmity in Counſel will ever be the Conſequence of a G——t divided into two Parties; but much more ſo when in this Diviſion only, two in the whole Kingdom are on one Side. Should this ever be the Caſe, what Weight can we ever hope our Counſels can have, to determine our Neighbours to act an open and hearty Part in Concert with ourſelves? What Truſt can we put in Alliances, or what Confidence in our Arms, when even our own Officers can no more act with Unanimity, than our Allies will with Sincerity?

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

GERMANY.

Frankfort, May 21. It's reported that the French deſign to take Poſſeſſion of Worms and Oppenheim, in order to prevent the Hungarians from paſſing the Rhine there. The Elector of Mentz has again declared, that he will obſerve an exact Neutrality; nevertheleſs his Highneſs has thought proper to put a ſtrong Garriſon into his Capital, conſiſting of 8000 Men.

LOW COUNTRIES.

Ghent, May 20. An Expreſs arriv'd here the 8th with Advice, that Menin is environ'd by the French on all ſides. The Garriſon which was at Courtray quitted that Town ſome few Days before the French took Poſſeſſion of it, but had not Time to carry off the Proviſions and Stores which had been got together there for the Support of the Britiſh Forces. We hear alſo that ſome of the French Troops were advanced within three Leagues of this City, that thoſe remaining near Courtray had cauſed a great Number of Pioneers to be ſent for thither, which cauſes it to be thought that they intend to fortify that Place, where the Garriſon now actually conſiſts of 4000 Men. The French have not yet raiſed any Contributions, and it's believ'd will not, unleſs the Allies demand any upon the Territories of France.

Tournay, May 20. The French have taken Poſſeſſion of the Bridge of Eſpierre over the Schelde, two Leagues diſtance from this City, by which all Communication between this Place and Oudenarde is entirely cut off. The general Head Quarters of the French Army is at Cifoin, it conſiſts of at leaſt 70,000 Men, which the King commands in Perſon. The French have, beſides this Army, 20,000 Men encamped at Armentiers. Our Garriſon is in a very good Condition, our Magazines well provided with all Neceſſaries, and the adjacent Country laid under Water as far as St. Amant, Condé, &c. So that 'tis much queſtioned whether the French will have an Eye to this Place.

HOLLAND.

Amſterdam, May 25. According to our laſt Advices from Flanders, the French inveſted Menin the 18th Inſtant, with a Body of 30 or 40,000 Men. The Garriſon of that Place conſiſts of twenty Companies of Foot, and one Squadron of Horſe, making together 1600 Men: 'Tis alſo added, that Count Saxe is encamped within two Leagues of Ghent, in order to prevent any Succours coming from that ſide.

FRANCE.

Paris, May 22. We hear from Liſle, that they have got together a prodigious Train of Artillery, viz. 160 Battering Pieces, from 12 Pounders to 48; 120 Field Pieces; and a great Number of Mortars, 40 of which throw Boms of 500 l. Weight. The Court is reſolv'd to have three ſtrong Squadrons at Sea as long as the War laſts, viz. one in the Mediterranean, another in the Ocean, and the third in the Mouth of the Channel. Our Eaſt-India Company are arming thirteen of their Ships, which are to carry from 40 to 76 Guns. Our laſt Advices from Breſt inform us that, M. de Camilly is ſail'd with the Squadron belonging to that Port for Toulon, and that he is to take the Spaniſh Squadron at Carthagena along with him. We talk of an Attempt upon the Iſland of Minorca; but ſome ſay there is another Expedition on the Anvil, which muſt be taken in hand firſt, in order to procure Succeſs to the former.

COUNTRY NEWS.

Briſtol, May 19. Laſt Wedneſday Evening (to the agreeable Surprize of the People of Hungroad and Pill) return'd from a Fortnight's Cruize, the Port-Mahon Man of War, of 20 Guns, who brought in with her the Golden Lion, a large French Ship of 400 Tons, 20 Guns, and 61 Men, bound from Miſſiſippi and the Havanna to Rochelle, having been out on her Voyage two Years. At the Havanna ſhe took on board 50,000 l. in Specie; and is laden with Elephants Teeth, Furrs, Skins, and Tobacco. It ſeems the Port-Mahon firſt got Intelligence of her by bringing to a Carolina Ship, who being acquainted with the Declaration of War between England and France, and inform'd the Port-Mahon that in ſuch a Latitude he ſaw a large, rich French Ship: On this the Port-Mahon made after her, and when ſhe came within Gun-ſhot, fir'd for her to bring-to, taking her to be a French Man of War; the Prize immediately fir'd a Salute to Leward, not knowing of the War; whereupon the Commander, the Hon. Mr. Aylmer, order'd his Pinnace out, to acquaint the Frenchman that a War was broke out between England and France, and that if they did not immediately ſtrike, he would give them no Quarter. They were greatly ſurpriz'd at the News, and tho' ſhe mounted as many Guns as the Port-Mahon, yet ſhe ſtruck her Flag without firing another. They have already taken out of her 36,000 l. and ſent it to Town; and tho' ſhe is computed to be worth no more than 90,000 l. yet 'tis believ'd ſhe will turn out worth a vaſt deal more. Her Commander, with her Officers, Men, and Gentlemen Paſſengers, are ſent to Knowl, in Company with thoſe belonging to the King William's Prize. We hear that the Golden Lion Miſſiſippi Ship came out with two more, but were parted in a hard Gale of Wind.

LONDON.

Sunday come Advice to the Lords of the Admiralty, that his Majeſty's Ship the Lively arriv'd on Friday 7-Night laſt at Plymouth, from Jamaica, with a French Ship from Martinico, which ſhe took in the Channel. It's ſaid the Lively was attack'd a few Days before by three French Privateers, which gave the Captain a Suſpicion of a War with France; and meeting afterwards with the above Ship, he brought her into Plymouth with him.

The ſame Day arrived an Expreſs from Exeter, by which it is ſaid there is Advice, that the Dartmouth Galley Privateer, Capt. Le Groſs, brought into Topſham on Friday 7-Night laſt, two French Ships from Marſeilles, bound to ſome of the French Ports in the Channel, which he had taken a ſhort time before.

Extract of a Letter from Charles-Town, in South-Carolina, dated March 12.

The Schooner Indian Queen, Opeſs, a Spaniſh Privateer, having cut a Ship out of Bluefields-Bay in Jamaica, met with the Wilmington Privateer, Capt. Sybald, and thinking her a Merchant-Ship, attempted to take her, but Capt. Sybald gave them ſo warm a Reception, that the Ship (on board of which they had put 50 Spaniards) ſtruck, having received a Shot betwixt Wind and Water, which ſunk; and while Capt. Sybald was endeavouring to ſave her, the Schooner ſheer'd of, but being much ſhattered, and loſing a great Number of her Men, ſhe fell in with the Jamaica Country Sloop next Morning, and ſtruck to her without reſiſting. The Three Siſters, Capt. Rue, of and for this Place from Cowes, is taken by a Spaniſh Privateer.

On Saturday his Majeſty, attended by his Grace the Duke of Grafton, the Lord Delawar, and ſeveral other Perſons of Diſtinction, din'd at Kew, and return'd to Kenſington at Night.

Laſt Saturday their Royal Highneſſes the Prince and Princeſs of Wales came from their Seat at Epſom to the Spring-Gardens, Vaux-Hall, where they ſupp'd, and return'd, about eleven, to Epſom again.

Sunday Morning died, of a Fever, after a Week's Illneſs, at the Right Hon. the Earl of Coventry's in Groſvenor-ſquare, the Right Hon. the Lord Viſcount Deerhurſt, his Lordſhip's eldeſt Son, and Member of Parliament for Bridport in Dorſetſhire. His Lordſhip is ſucceeded in the Title by his next Brother, the Hon. Mr. Coventry, who intends to offer himſelf a Candidate for the Borough of Bridport.

We hear that the Ship from the Canaries, bound to Hamburgh, taken lately and carried into Plymouth, on Suſpicion of having Spaniſh Effects on board, is releaſed, together with her Cargo.

They write from Elineur, that a Ship Capt. George Wardroper of Dundee, bound for Dantzick, is loſt on the Swain Boden.

On Thurſday 7-Night laſt, about One o'Clock, a dreadful and terrible Fire happen'd at Lynn in the County of Norfolk, whereby, in one Quarter of an Hour's Time, above twenty Houſes, beſides Barns and Stables, were in Flames, and 21 Families were burnt out, with the Loſs of almoſt all their Houſhold Goods and Apparel. 'Tis ſaid to have been occaſion'd by a Boy's playing with Gunpowder.

Sunday the Body of a young Man, well dreſs'd, was found caſt on the Shore near Deptford Dock: He had in his Pocket a Gold Watch, two thirty-ſix Shilling Pieces, and ſome Silver, and a Pocket Book, wherein was a Letter directed to Mr. Coombs of Lancaſter.

Tueſday Morning William Potter, a Private Man belonging to the firſt Regiment of Foot-Guards, who had inliſted himſelf into ſeveral Regiments to defraud the Officers of the Bounty Money, and had receiv'd by that Means above 100 l. was ſhot in Hyde-Park.

His Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty has order'd the Marquess de Fenelon to repair to the Hague immediately, with his Definitive Reſolution, as to the Propoſitions of Peace that had been made to him.

The French have ſtopp'd the Poſt at Liſle; ſo that all the Letters that paſs that Way to Holland are miſſing.

Letters from Hambourg, of the 22d of may, acquaint us, that between the 17th and 21ſt, the Bankers of that City had receiv'd from Paris, Bills for 1,500,000 Rixdollars, which is to be employ'd in Ruſſia and Sweden.

Monday arriv'd a Lisbon Mail, brought by the Expedition, Capt. Clies, who came out the 8th Inſtant, O. S. which brings Advice that Sir Charles Hardy, with the Squadron under his Command, arriv'd the 3d Inſtant, O. S. off the Rock of that Place: That he ſaw the Merchant Ships ſafe into that Port, and diſpatch'd an Expreſs to Admiral Matthews; and at the ſame Time ſent the Torrington Man of War and a Bomb-Ketch with the Trade-Ships to Oporto, who are to return to Liſbon, and convoy the Trade Home: That Sir Charles Hardy afterwards ſail'd Weſtward, in queſt of the Breſt Squadron: That the Roebuck Man of War, Capt. Stretton, ſent into Liſbon the 6th Inſtant a Spaniſh Regiſter Ship, from St. Sebaſtians, of 18 Carriage and 12 Swivel Guns, called the St. Jago, bound to La Guerre: She fought the Roebuck more than an Hour very gallantly, and kill'd two of her Men; and four more were unfortunately loſt in the Yawl, between the two Ships; the Spaniards loſt 26 Men: Her Cargo conſiſts of Bale Good, and Cordage, and coſt in Spain 220,000 Pieces of Eight: There are 12 Paſſengers with Goods to a conſiderable Value, and with the private Trade, is valued at 40,000 l. at leaſt. She was taken forty Leagues to the Weſtword of Cape Finiſterre, and is a very fine Ship. That Capt. Mitchell, in his Majeſty's Ship the Worceſter, had taken three Prizes, and ſent them into Gibraltar; and that the Diamond, Capt. Goatley, was chas'd by three Men of War, but happily got clear of them, and afterwards retook the William and John, Capt. M'Kliſh, from Virginia for Scotland, and carried her into Liſbon.

It is ſaid there is certain Advice by the ſame Mail, that his Majeſty's Ship the Salisbury, on board of which is Admiral Leſtock, is arriv'd at Gibraltar, in his Way home.

We hear that Thomas Kirby, Eſq; of Billiter-Square, an eminent Weſt-India Merchant, is appointed an Agent for the Iſland of Antigua.

On Friday 7-Night laſt one Emanuel Hall, a Shoemaker, was committed to New-Priſon by Juſtice Pouliſon, on a ſtrong Suſpicion of having murder'd Sarah, the Wife of one Benjamin Moreton, a Soldier: The Caſe was thus, Moreton went out on his Duty on Tueſday Morning the 8th Inſtant, and left his Wife in his Lodgings; about One o'Clock, the next Day, he returned, when his Wife was gone, her Cloaths taken away, and the Key of the Room left with her Landlady, but no Word whither, or when ſhe intended to return. However, between Eight and Nine in the Morning on Friday 7-Night laſt, Hall brought the dead Body of the ſaid Sarah Moreton to her Huſband's Lodgings, near Brooks-Market, in a Hackney Coach, and placed the ſame in the Paſſage leading to his Lodging Room Door, and there left it, on which Moreton apply'd to Juſtice Pouliſon for a Warrant to apprehend the ſaid Hall on Suſpicion of having murder'd his Wife. It ſeems Hall and the Deceaſed were old Acquaintance.

Monday an Order was made that the Shares of the Prizes that ſhall hereafter be condemn'd by the Court of Admiralty, ſhall be paid the Captors within one Month after Condemnation.

BANKRUPTS.

Jane Thomas, of Plymouth, in the County of Devon, Widow, Mercer, and Chapwoman.

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